

## TO BECOME A TERRITORY.

Senate Passes a Measure Providing for a Form of Government in Island of Hawaii.

TO HAVE REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

The House Passes an Amended Porto Rico Tariff Bill, Limiting Its Life to Two Years; Also an Aid Measure—Daily Summary of Congressional Proceedings.

Washington, Feb. 27.—Formal discussion of the right of Senator Quay to a seat was begun in the senate yesterday and consideration of the Hawaiian government was resumed. An amendment was made striking out the property qualification of voters for members of the legislature. Senator Clark (Wyo.) introduced a bill for the admission of Arizona as a state.

Washington, Feb. 28.—The feature of the session of the senate yesterday was the speech by Senator Dewey in favor of holding the Philippine islands. The Hawaiian government bill was further discussed.

Washington, March 1.—The conference report on the financial bill was considered in the senate yesterday and Senator McLaughlin (dem., S. C.) spoke in favor of expansion. The vote on the Hawaiian government bill was postponed one day.

Washington, March 2.—The bill providing a form of government for the territory of Hawaii was passed by the senate yesterday. The bill creates the territory of Hawaii, with a legislature, supreme and minor courts, a governor and other officials; extends to the islands the internal revenue, customs and navigation laws, and provides for the election of a delegate to represent the islands in congress.

Washington, March 3.—In the senate yesterday a bill providing a territorial government for Porto Rico was considered, and Senator Hoar spoke in favor of seating Mr. Quay, of Pennsylvania.

Washington, March 5.—The pension appropriation bill (\$14,000,000) was read in the senate on Saturday. Senator Teller criticised the currency bill and 38 private pension bills were passed.

### House.

Washington, Feb. 27.—In the house yesterday debate on the Porto Rican tariff bill was continued. The republican conference agreed to reduce the tariff to 15 per cent. and to limit operation to two years.

Washington, Feb. 28.—In the house yesterday a bill was introduced to provide for one-cent postage on letters. The general debate on the Porto Rican tariff bill closed.

Washington, March 1.—The Porto Rican tariff bill, amended so as to reduce the tariff from 25 to 15 per cent. of the American tariff, and limiting its life to two years, was passed in the house yesterday by a vote of 172 yeas to 161 nays.

Washington, March 2.—A favorable report was made in the house yesterday on a bill to reorganize the consular service and an agreement was made to consider the bill relating to second-class mail matter March 20.

Washington, March 3.—Upon the president's recommendation a bill was passed in the house yesterday to expend the \$2,000,000 custom duty collected on imports from Porto Rico since the Spanish evacuation for the relief of Porto Ricans.

Washington, March 5.—In the house on Saturday the death of Representative Epps, of Virginia, was announced, appropriate resolutions were adopted and a committee appointed to attend the funeral.

### Trust Investigation.

Washington, March 2.—The industrial commission submitted to congress a preliminary report of its investigations into the operations of trusts and says that certain evils in connection with them should be checked by appropriate legislation.

### Hanged.

Talboton, Ga., March 3.—Will Leonard, a negro, who murdered Francis Dean and wife, was executed here Friday. On his way to the gallows he stopped and addressed a crowd of 3,000 negroes, advising them not to do as he had done.

### In a Bankrupt.

St. Louis, March 3.—Prof. Oscar R. Gleason, the famous horse trainer, filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy in the United States district court, scheduling liabilities amounting to \$71,810.11, and assets estimated at \$130.

### Business Block Burned.

Vienna, Ill., March 3.—A fire, which was discovered at 11 o'clock Friday night, destroyed a business block of eight buildings in this city, entailing a loss of \$70,000. The buildings were all new brick buildings.

### Fatal Fight.

Brewersville, Ind., March 3.—James Powers, a school-teacher, and W. A. Fuller, a farmer, killed each other in a fight here. The teacher had whipped Fuller's daughter at school, and this caused the tragedy.

### Charged with Embezzlement.

Waterloo, Ia., March 2.—A. I. Breckenridge, for several years secretary of the Perpetual Building and Loan association has been arrested, charged with the embezzlement of nearly \$20,000.

### Relief for Porto Ricans.

Washington, March 2.—President McKinley has authorized the use of \$1,250,000, the balance of the war fund, in affording relief to the people of Porto Rico.

## PASSES THE CENTURY MARK.

Daniel Whipple, a Noted Character in the History of Travers City, Is One Hundred Years Old.

Traverse City, March 2.—A reception was given the veteran Daniel Whipple, whose one hundredth birthday anniversary occurred Thursday. Many pioneers and business men were present, including local sportsmen, who honored Uncle Dan with a banquet. Whipple is a veteran hunter, trapper and Indian fighter. He left New York state in 1822, tramped to Buffalo from Cataraugus county, shipped on a sailing craft to Chicago, and staged it west across the Missouri river. He spent 40 years in the west, entering the army at Lincoln's first call in '61, serving four years, and participating in many battles. Previous to that time he was a bosom friend of Kit Carson, with whom he fought Indians and hunted big game seven years, being separated only by the death of Carson. He was a member of John C. Fremont's exploring expedition to the Pacific coast, which consumed 14 months. He crossed the Rocky mountains six times. He is an avowed enemy of all Indians on account of the murder of his sweetheart by them. The story is interesting. The girl lived in a settlement which was attacked by Sioux. The inhabitants were massacred and the girl taken captive. Pursued by Whipple and four companions and after a fight, the girl was tortured and murdered in plain sight of her lover. While still alive a sharp stake was driven through her body. Whipple was captured, but escaped. For many years after he devoted his life to killing Indians, and the number, he says, is beyond his recollection. He is still hale and hearty, and walked 17 miles last Monday in deep snow after a big snowstorm.

## RIVAL BOOMS.

Candidates Ferry and Bliss to Establish Headquarters at Grand Rapids—Stearns Already There.

Grand Rapids, March 5.—This city will probably be the headquarters for three gubernatorial booms and the center of some of the liveliest republican sparring for position the state has ever known. Justus S. Stearns has already established headquarters here, with B. J. Lowery as secretary and Amos S. Musselman as supervising director, and it is expected Dexter M. Ferry and Col. Aaron T. Bliss will soon do the same. In a manner this city is neutral territory as between the three men, but Mr. Stearns has been trying to get it included within his particular preserve as the biggest town on his side of the state and the neutral center. He is not disposed to go into Wayne county to capture Ferry delegates, nor into Saginaw county to win away the Bliss strength, and wants Messrs. Ferry and Bliss to recognize his claims over here and not try to jump them. Messrs. Ferry and Bliss, however, are neither of them disposed to recognize the validity of the Stearns claims, and are putting workers into the field to capture whatever is not nailed down.

## WILL PRACTICE LAW.

Mrs. Waite, of Detroit, Aged 71 Years, to Apply for Admission to the Bar.

Detroit, March 5.—Mrs. Catherine V. Waite, 71 years old, but so well preserved she would pass anywhere for a woman of 35, will apply for admission to the bar, and, upon being admitted, will organize, with her husband, a firm to be established at Denver, Col. She owns 1,000 horses and 15,000 acres of land in that state, which are intrusted to the management of a son. Mrs. Waite lived many years in the west with her husband, where she acquired a fortune, besides reading law. She says that she needs to do something to make a living, and as the law holds out the brightest prospects she will therefore enter the profession. In 1893 she made \$12,000 in Chicago real estate.

## Buy Much Wood.

Quinnec, March 5.—On the Menominee range the big paper mill just erected at Niagara, a mile south of here, is taking such a large quantity of timber that the mining companies have been forced to go into the timber business themselves in order to provide for their wants. The mill people have raised the price to such an extent that wood contractors have turned over their business to them, and the mining companies have had to look after their needs by purchasing tracts of standing timber and putting their own men to cut it and get it to the railroad tracks.

## Epidemic Among Rabbits.

St. Joseph, March 5.—Reports received here from various points throughout the county and northern Indiana are to the effect that hundreds of wild rabbits are dying from an unknown disease, which is puzzling many of the older hunters and trappers. A rabbit suffering with the disease is swollen twice its natural size about the neck, and, from appearances, dies of strangulation.

## In the Hands of Filipinos.

Detroit, March 1.—A letter from a staff correspondent of the Evening News dated Manila, January 26, says six members of the Thirtieth regiment of volunteers are missing and are supposed to have been captured. Three of these were Michigan men named George A. Kenney, Detroit; Robert F. Stafford, Bridgeport, and George F. Miller, Niles.

## Passed Away.

Kalamazoo, Mich., March 5.—Mrs. Henry F. Severens, wife of the newly appointed judge of the United States circuit court of appeals, died suddenly Saturday. Mrs. Severens was 61 years old.

## PROCESS BUTTER.

Agent for the Armour is on Trial at Jackson for Its Manufacture Contrary to Law.

Jackson, March 2.—The trial of Ralph Phelps, agent here for P. D. Armour, who was arrested on the charge of selling process butter without the label required by law, was begun Thursday. Among the interested parties present are State Dairy and Food Commissioner E. O. Grosvenor, Deputies W. H. Tumiclioff and Lyod Kirtland, State Analyst R. E. Doolittle and Assistant W. H. Hess, and Prof. A. B. Prescott, of the state university, in behalf of the people; and A. B. Stratton, attorney for the Armour, of Chicago; Wilson & Cobb, attorneys of this city, and M. Delafontaine, one of the expert chemists who testified in the Luetgert case, representing Armour. Jackson, March 3.—In the process butter prosecution brought by the state dairy and food commissioner, Grosvenor, against the Armour agent in Jackson, Prof. Delafontaine, the Chicago expert, testified Friday. He said he had attempted to make process butter according to the formula in act 254 of Michigan laws of 1899 and the product was an unmarketable compound, in no way resembling butter. He disclaimed any knowledge of the Hess process for distinguishing process from genuine butter. His experiments led him to the conclusion that process butter was chemically indistinguishable from dairy butter and he cited other authorities to the same end. Arguments of counsel for prosecution were then heard.

## DUTY OF SETTLERS.

The Attorney General Says They Must Remain on Land in Order to Maintain Title.

Lansing, March 2.—Attorney General Oren has furnished several opinions to the state land department relating to homesteaders. It is held that a homesteader holding a tax homestead certificate would forfeit his right to the lands by removing himself and family therefrom, even though he held possession of the land by hiring another party to live upon and improve the land. "While temporary absence owing to sickness," says the attorney general, "might be excusable under the statute relating to homesteads, yet the claimant must evince by his acts an honest continuing intention to maintain a permanent residence and make the land his home to the exclusion of one elsewhere." In another opinion it is held that a holder of a settler's license desiring to purchase the land held, would only be required to pay the minimum price fixed by the law for the lands. Tax homestead lands, it is held in a third opinion, are exempt from a special assessment for drain purposes until they have been deeded by the state, and notice of the sale given to the county treasurer.

## WEAVER SPEAKS.

Noted Iowan Delivers an Address at a Democratic Banquet in Iowa.

Ionia, March 3.—The democrats of Ionia held a banquet this week, with Gen. James E. Weaver, of Iowa, as chief speaker. The banquet was important chiefly because it will be the only democratic gathering in this part of the state before the campaign opens, and because the speeches delivered will serve as a sort of index to democratic sentiment in western Michigan. A silver republican presided over the banquet as toastmaster, and there were enough of the members of the populist state central committee present to hold a session and authorize the chairman to fix the time and place for the populist state convention. The speeches were bitterly anti-administration, and were as devotedly for free silver as in other days when the financial issue was foremost. If the sentiments can be considered a criterion the delegation from Michigan to the Kansas City convention will be instructed for W. J. Bryan and the Chicago platform.

## PAYS THE STATE.

The Henderson-Ames Company Turns \$12,347 Into the Treasury—Was Money Received by Fraud.

Lansing, March 2.—The Henderson-Ames company of Kalamazoo, dealers in military clothing and supplies, has paid over to Attorney General Oren \$12,347.78, which amount the company acknowledges belongs to the state on account of moneys received by the company in the alleged fraudulent sale and repurchase of clothing by the military board. The attorney general in return gave a receipt which expressly states that the state waives no right of suing for the balance of the \$13,000 claimed to have been lost through the alleged fraud nor of prosecution of members of the military board who are alleged to be responsible therefor.

## Loan Association Stock Taxable.

Lansing, March 1.—Attorney General Oren has advised the secretary of state that foreign building and loan associations doing business in Michigan are not included in the law of 1887 exempting the stock of building and loan associations from taxation. He holds that only the stock of associations incorporated in Michigan are exempt. The effect will be to place on the tax rolls all stock of associations of other states owned in Michigan.

## Will Not Move to Indiana.

Benton Harbor, March 2.—The Wolverine Beet Sugar company held its annual meeting here and reelected the old officers. The stockholders decided that the factory should not be moved to Indiana. No dividend was declared, but the managers are confident that the industry will eventually be a success.

## MICHIGAN NEWS.

Interesting Bits of Information Gathered from Many Localities in the State.

The estate of the late John Canfield, of Manistee, inventoried at over \$3,500,000.

At Centerville Wednesday Guy Phillips and Perry Ballot were sentenced to 90 days in jail for stealing chickens.

Free rural mail delivery from the Albion post office has been approved and ordered by the post office department.

A movement has been started at Grand Rapids looking toward the consolidation of the numerous athletic associations of the city and the erection of a big building for the accommodation of the combined organization.

The people of Three Rivers are pleased over the action of Dowagiac in voting to bond that city to aid in building the Eastern & Northwestern railroad. This virtually assures the building of the road from Benton Harbor to Toledo, O.

L. Schwabach, of Chicago, will remove his shirt waist factory to Niles, and a stock company to be capitalized at \$20,000 will be formed. Citizens have already subscribed a large portion of the stock. The factory will employ from 100 to 200 hands.

Mrs. Catherine Heller, of Clyde township, St. Clair county, is locked up in the county jail on a charge of cruelty to animals. It is alleged that Mrs. Heller had terribly neglected her cattle, not providing them with shelter or proper food, and several are said to have died.

Milford is having an interesting campaign with the saloon question as the issue, to be decided at the charter election March 12. The anti-saloon people have been holding meetings and confidently expect to win. The result will be close and both sides express confidence. Neither of the old parties are in the field, their places being taken by the labor reform (anti-saloon) party and the citizens' party.

## CHOICE OF A NAME.

Upon It Is Said to Hinge the Question of Consolidation of St. Joseph and Benton Harbor.

St. Joseph, March 1.—For the past week the citizens of this city have been entertaining various rumors in regard to the consolidation of this city and Benton Harbor until the agitation has grown fever high over the most probable and appropriate name, providing the consolidation proposition can be sanctioned by a majority vote of each city. At a meeting held at Benton Harbor many of the leading citizens were in favor of uniting the cities and expressed their individual views in favor of naming the consolidated city "Pere Marquette." To the contrary and based upon public opinion, it is considered upon all sides that the consolidation act will be defeated at the polls in this city unless the city of Benton Harbor forfeits its name and the united cities be known as St. Joseph. For several days Chicago, as a probable name for the twin cities, has been entertained upon the streets of this city, and would be supported by the minority in favor of consolidation.

## AN ALCOHOL BATH.

Sick Man Being Treated by This Remedy Takes Fire and Is Burned to Death.

Port Huron, March 1.—David M. Robeson was burned to death Wednesday morning at his home, 503 Fort street. He had been sick for some time with malarial fever. After an alcohol bath he was tucked into bed. About one o'clock William B. Robeson, who was sitting in the next room, saw a flash and rushed into the bedroom. His brother was standing up in bed, a pillar of flame. William made an attempt to smother the flames. David's wife came to his assistance. Both brother and wife were forced to leave the room on account of the heat. A fire engine extinguished the flames, but then the body had been burned beyond recognition. It is supposed that the alcohol became ignited in some way after the bath and set the bed on fire.

## Position of Republican League.

Ionia, March 5.—President H. H. Smith, of the State League of Republican Clubs, says regarding the league's position on factional issues and especially the taxation question: "So far as the league will take part in the coming campaign, either by organization or by distribution of literature, the platforms of the party will be supported and no fight will be made on any men, any factor or any policy." The advisory council, to be announced this week, will represent every wing of the party and no factional differences will be tolerated.

## Will Contested.

Marquette, March 4.—The Gustafson will case, which is exciting considerable interest in this section, started trial in the circuit court. Mrs. Gustafson left a will leaving all her property, about \$20,000, to her husband, Rev. Frank Gustafson, and ignoring her children by her former husband, ex-Sheriff Anderson, who left her the money. Gustafson is presiding elder of the Swede Methodist church in the Lake Superior district. The case will consume all this week.

## Dies in a Bathing.

Houghton, March 4.—Nicholas G. Poull, president and general manager of the Poull Mercantile company, of Lake Linden, was found dead in a bathtub at his residence, presumably from heart disease. He was 46 years of age and prominent in business circles. He leaves a wife, three daughters and one son in good circumstances.

THE constantly recurring monthly suffering gives women the blues! How hopeless the future appears, month after month the same siege with menstrual pain! Comparatively few women understand that excessive pain indicates ill-health, or some serious derangement of the feminine organs.

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